

Applicant: Udo SCHULZ  
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**NEW ABSTRACT:**

Please replace the original abstract with the following new abstract:

**Abstract of the Disclosure**

The fuel injection apparatus has a high-pressure pump that supplies fuel at least indirectly to at least one injection point associated with at least one cylinder of the engine. The high-pressure pump is preceded by a fuel filter, which filters out impurities from the fuel and separates out free-floating water and/or emulsified water contained in the fuel. Free-floating and/or emulsified water separated out by the fuel filter is at least indirectly supplied to the combustion chamber of the at least one cylinder of the engine.